### "Big Four" Better Than Ever.

Those closely versed in the affairs of polo did not hesitate to say that the big four" played even better than when they successfully defended the cup two with excellent direction and wonderful n comparison in team play, on which their followers counted so strongly, and in hooking the ball out of serim-

There were those who saw an explanation in the naming of practically new team last week by the fact that were need do distinguish one other in the heat of condict. fi in deference to the wishes of Harry Whitney, who is opposed to ommercializing the sport, even to the oint of identifying the players by different colored helmets.

umbered was exclusively told in The players were averse to carrying out the plan, so that only the English ponles were equipped in a way to make it possible for the onlookers to identify the men on the field.

#### 25,000 Saw Battle on Perfect Turf.

two teams took their places on the field. The stands on the two sides of the perfect stretch of turf, which looked as smooth and even as a billiard table, were packed and jammed to the last seat, while on both ends of the field hundreds upon hundreds stood thirty to forty deep and craned their necks for a glimpse of the struggle or crambled up on automobiles, wagons and even on one or two moving vans etter view. The stands and e accommodated about 15,000 persons, and it seemed as if close to another 10,000 were banked at both

It was a crowd, too, that was enthusiastic without being boisterous-much the same as is seen at big football f course, was out to a man, and apart sive, inasmuch as the seats were placed on public sale, it was confined largely to those of wealth and influence, who have learned to appreciate and understand the finer points of the most ex-

dashed about with the speed of a

Colin, twisted and turned with the

Three Goals in First Period

Captain Lockett, at back, did yeo

man work for his side, but try as he

would be could not prevent Devereus

then the challengers, roused to fury,

rushed the ball up the field and Cap-

stroke from near the middle of the

line and between the posts. It was

first blood for the visitors, but this was

offset a moment or two later when the

Americans again carried the fight into

the enemy's country and "Larry"

Waterbury shot an easy goal. The

English players seemed to be slightly

better mounted in this period, which

counted in two or three wild races up

Americans Force the Fight.

The third and fourth periods were

ball in their opponents' territory for

the greater part of the time. Monte

Waterbury hooked the ball out of the

first scrimmage and drove across the

line for a goal in just thirty-one sec-

onds as the third chucker opened, while

Larry Waterbury added one more in

the fourth, the most sensational of the

tween the legs of his own pony to score

period was all Great Britain, as the

visitors scored two goals, one by Cap-

tain Ritson, the other by Captain

The Americans appeared to be play-

ing largely on the defensive, as if sat-

isfied with the lead they had run up,

penalty, charged against Devereux Mil-

burn, the crowd began to get a bit un-

Then it was that Captain Whitney

terbury, who had broken his finger in

the sixth period, and was replaced by

In less than three minutes Larry

or down the field.

of his opponents.

The stands were gayly decorated with the bunting and flags of the two as "Monty" Waterbury drove home the ountries represented, and the color first goal in less than three minutes scene, once the stands were full, was A shout went up that fairly rumbled The women, of and roared across the plains, and it couse, were out in all their finery, and was hardly stilled before "Larry" he splashes here and there of vivid Waterbury followed along with a secreen, brilliant red and delicate violet- ond goal on a well timed and accurate

anufactured particularly for the oc- Milburn charging up like a whirlwind A breeze from the southwest and driving home a third goal just beblew across the playing field and in no fore the first period ended, and with galloping ponies.

### Automobiles Carry Thousands.

Most of the crowd went down by special trains from this city and Brooklyn, but hundreds and hundreds made the trip in automobiles. The cars were parked on the Hempstead Plains back of the west stand literally by thousands, and the show they made would put to blush any exhibition ever held in Madison Square Garden or the Grand Central Palace. There were big cars and little cars, silent cars and wheezy cars, and they rolled up in never ending numbers to deposit their occupants at the gate. Few there were who ever saw so many cars together in one place.

A huge dust cloud marked the approach of the automobiles, and as one looked out from the top of the stand and saw them creeping up as it were from a distance, and then whirling along as they came closer the impression was given of ants running to a monster ant hill.

The stands were almost full by 4 o'clock, when the twenty-nine English ponies, true to custom, paraded around the field, led by grooms, most of whom wore red shirts. The American ponies followed - nineteen in number - and they were applauded on all sides as they stalked along led by grooms in shirts of light blue, the colors of the day, as he drove the ball directly be-Meadow Brook Club. Most of them and hardly one there was who came within the regulation of 14.2 hands-a regulation, by the way, which is not followed closely in these latter days of after half time, and Captain Ritson led pelo, and which was waived for this one assault after another against the particular match.

### Monoplane Circles the Field.

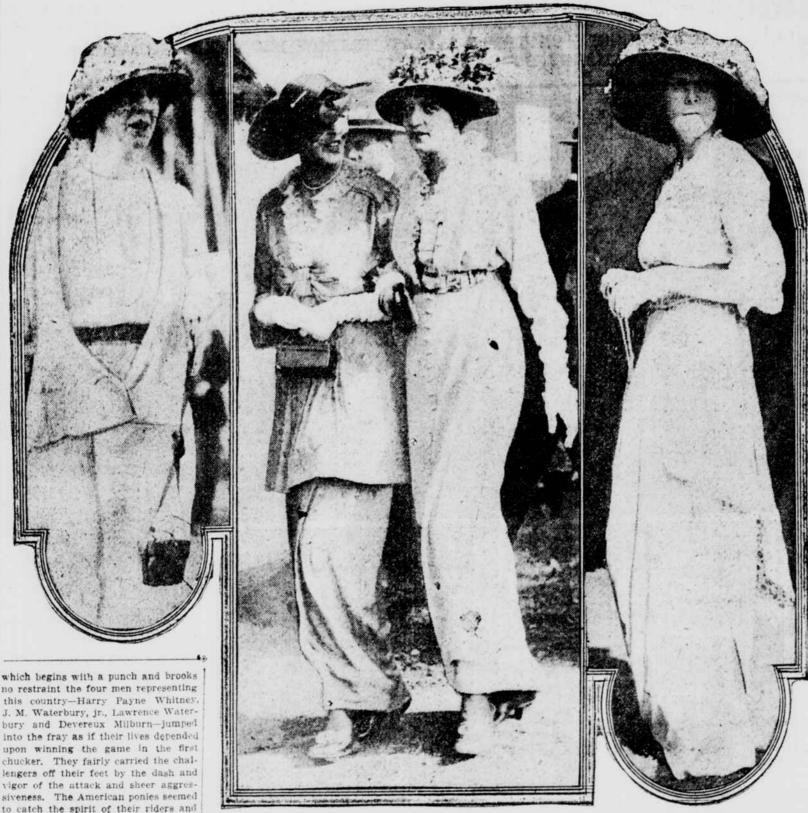
This over, the attention of the crowd was distracted for the moment by W. Cheape. Knox Martin, of Virginia, who came buzzing over the field in a monoplane, from which he dropped a message of good luck and a garland of red and but after the sixth had ended with no white roses. He then circled the stand once or twice, while the automobiles another half goal in the seventh on a honked a salute.

Captain Edwards was the first on the field for a few practice strokes, and easy, with the score reading, 41/2 to 3, was quickly followed by the other play- as the eighth and last chucker began. ers. Harry Payne Whitney was the called on his men for another whirlwind attack, and even without Monte Walast to put in an appearance, but as captain of the defending forces he was most vigorously applauded. For a few minutes white balls and flying ponies L. E. Stoddard, the home team re-were scattered all over the field, giving sponded in a way that once again fairly carried the challengers off their feet. some idea of what was to come, but little Waterbury drove a sensational back hander between the goal posts, clinch time was wasted in preliminaries, and the crowd soon settled back as the ing, as it were, the bitterly fought game, and thereafter the Englishmen players took their places in the centre

of the field.

Those looking on did not have long to wait for the first thrill. Imbued, as desperate assault by the American it were, with that American spirit forces.

SOME OF THOSE WHO FLOCKED TO THE BIG POLO MATCH FROM THEIR COUNTRY HOMES ON LONG ISLAND.



Left to right-Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mrs. Dave H. Coddington, Miss Susan Fish Dresser and Mrs. Reginald .Vanderbilt.

# Following the Ponies as Meadow Brook Four Vanquishes Britishers

## Americans' Whirlwind Attack Sweeps Challengers Back in First Period of Dashing Play.

way interfered with the players, while the turf was firm and springy, furnish- tack, as Captain Whitney was out of the start of the bitter pole struggle in ing the best of footing for the hard the play with a broken mallet and gal- which the team of the United States de loping wildly about to get a fresh one. feated Great Britain by the score of 51/2 "Larry" Waterbury played such a goals to 3.

The story of how Larry Waterbury desperate game in riding off Captains scored four of the seven goals for his side Edwards and Cheape in the second and other important incidents of the period that finally he was penalized natch have been told. But the details half a goal for cutting across the latleading up to the various assaults are ter. Three shots at goal failed and here recounted in more fulness.

As the ball rolled on the turf under the tain Cheape drove it home on a long Milburn, the United States back, was the first to reach it with his mallet. A crack field, the ball just dribbling across the ing shot which Larry Waterbury relayed sent the ball dangerously near the British goals. Captain Lockett saved the tally by a splendid backhander. Captain Edwards hooked on and for a brief moment it looked as if there was to be a race for the goal at the north end of the field, which the wearers of the light blue and white of Meadow Brook were defending. Simultaneously Whitney and Monte Waterbury intercepted the ball. There was a beautifully timed play between the Waterburys, and then Monte Waterbury eluded Captain Edwards as he came swooping down, cracked the ball along largely repetitions of the first two. The while going at a pounding gallop-Americans forced the fighting and by and by two well directed shots sent the sheer speed and aggressiveness kept the | white sphere bounding within the confines of the posts. It was the first tally for the United States in the unexpected time of 1 minute and 36 seconds

The British cavalry officers immediately attempted playing along the side boards as soon as the ball was in play again Captain Lockett, their back, lay well down the field, but Captains Cheape, Edwards and Ritson went circling around. They failed to make their maliets meet the ball with any certainty, and, to the looked like fullgrown thoroughbreds, A moment later, however, he lost half amazement of the great crowd at this a goal on a penalty for crossing one early stage, it was evident that the American ponies were able to hold their own with the wonderful string of m The challengers rose in their might which the Duke of Westminster had assembled for the recovery of the cup.

This was clearly demonstrated when American defence. In fact, the fifth Larry Waterbury caught the ball on throw in after it had passed out of Edwards, mounted on Molly Beach, challenged him, but Chestnuts swept the great American ahead of the Briton with the dauntless Larry whanging away at the ball for as savage a bit of rough riding as the contest developed. Straight and sure it travelled, and the second time scoring, and the home team had lost the little red flag wagged as a signal that the ball had crossed the line between the posts. It was all done in less than a minute after the first goal and excitement.

Stiff fought melees, with the British

# How the American Four Triumphed.

Stoddard. Milburn Substitutes Substitutes

F. M. Freake I. E. Stoddard. R. La Montagne. Capt. D. E. Miller. H. C. Phipps. R. L. Agussiz FIRST PERIOD

1. United States, J. M. Waterbury ... 1:36

2 United States, L. Waterbury 5 United States, Milburn Score: United States, 3, Great Britain, 0. SECOND PERIOD. Great Britain, Cheape United States, L. Waterbury Penalty-(United States), 16 on 1. Waterbury for crossing Score: United States, 314 Great Britain, 1. THIRD PERIOD. 8. United States, J. M. Waterbury .. 0:31 Score: United States, 414.

Great Britain, 1 FOURTH PERIOD Penalty-(United States), ½ on L. Waterbury for crossing. United States, L. Waterbury ..... 7:19 Score: United States, 5 Great Britain, 1. FIFTH PERIOD.

Great Britain, Ritson .. Great Britain, Cheape Score: United States, 5. Great Britain, 3. SIXTH PERIOD. No goals or penalties SEVENTH PERIOD. ty-(United States), 14 on Milburn for crossing. Score: United States, 41/2 Great Britain,

EIGHTH PERIOD. United States, L. Waterbury Score: United States, 51/2. Great Britain, 3.

Time of game-1 hour, 33 minutes.

tooked on to the ball, and with only ounds by the clubhouse stand. Captain three men playing on the cup defending side he made a splendid carry right up ball on one of the American relays, and to the posts for the goal, with Captain this time he sent it bounding through for Edwards and Captain Ritson hard upon a goal. It had all happened in a few secthe heels of his pony. It was a bit of whirlwind riding, and as those in the lot of long driving, during which the stands saw him draw ahead of his pursucrs they burst into shouts of applause at the realization that there was little or nothing to fear because of the vaunted speed of the British mounts. The clang and the session terminated with the score of the gong ended the period, the first of It seemed to set the crowd wild with the great contest, with the American cup

defenders leading at 3 goals to 0. Milburn was at his old trick of carrying players sticking close to their men, the ball along by swift strokes across the contributed spectacular effects to the neck of his pony, meanwhile holding off closing minute of the period. At this an opponent at the beginning of the secsort of thing the challengers displayed ond period. The Americans were making marked cleverness. It was boot to stir- an assault upon the north goal, and, while rup most of the time. Captain Cheape they had several glowing opportunities, lent dribbling strokes, put the Americans shots. In the ensuing scrimmages the in front of the posts and missed it. upon the defensive. In one of these Britons fought desperately. Several times melces, directly in front of the east the ball went outside of bounds as the stand, Captain Ritson checked Whitney's llower of British pool and Captain Edmailet as the American attempted to wards and Captain Cheape were in the derful backhander, he tailied by a reach stand, Captain Ritson checked Whitney's flower of British polo fields hit for safemallet head split, and as he galloped to thick of the fray as they had been two

the side for a new one Devereux Milburn years before. At one stage Captain the distance at a sharp angle. It was

# Captains Edwards and Cheape Make Valiant Fight, but Superiority of Yankee Mounts Tells.

the hoofs of Whitney and Milburn. By a sixth and eighth periods. relayed again to Captain Cheape who by three tremendous blows of his mallet carried the ball practically the ength of the field to tally the first goal for the British side.

As the men followed the ball after this goal the British ponies seemed to be go ing strongly and better than the mounts of the cup defenders. In the chases the British officers were getting first to the ball, and only the fact that they threw away glittering chances by overriding to and missing it altogether saved the Amer icans. Team tactics and manœuvres that held the Britons from making any long strokes temporarily checked the scoring Whitney was the field general. Unless hotly pressed, he sent Larry Waterbury to drive the ball along. The two broth ers worked the relay formation-first on riding over the ball while the other lowed for the stroke of the mallet in a way that baffled their opponents. On one of these shifts Larry Waterbury got a chance to make a drive, and again the goal went up for the American side.

There was some daredevil'riding, crook ing of mallets and clashing of points and men as this period ended. Overtime was played, and as the ball was being hit along for lofters Captains Cheape and Ritson made several stops by lifting then mallets in air. It was in one of these furious forays that Larry Waterbury made a dangerous crossing which reduced the American score by a half goal for the score of 31/2 goals to 1 as the riders ranged off the field. The ball was thrown in from the east

side of the field at the beginning of the third period. Milburn hooked on an made a sensational carry right up to the goal, with all of the others in hot pur suit, and then his stroke proved fickle. His miss afforded Captain Edwards a chance, and the British No. 2 set off down the field with the ball all to himself, as he had caught on with the others far away. Again a miss saved a tally against the cup defenders, with the ball lying only a few yards before the line. Monte Waterbury pounced on the ball like a hawk among chickens. There was slashng, a lot of crossing to the boards, and then once more Monte Waterbury got the

onds. The remainder of the period was Britons failed to make the most of their opportunities. For one thing, their ponie did not like the buzz and roar of the monoplane which circled above the field, at 41/2 goals to 1. There was a noticeable slackening of

pace on the part of the cup defenders at the beginning of the fourth period. In the ride-offs along the boards Larry Waterbury was again an offender fo ressing, and the score was reduced again by a half goal. His offence occurred be fore the east stand, and the crowd yelled "Foul!" Shortly afterward Milburn had and Captain Edwards, with their excel- each of the men in turn bungled the all the time in the world for a shot right toward the close of the period Larry nade amends for his offence by stealing the ball from Captain Cheape on a thrill-

across his pony's neck, the ball travelling

During the half time, as between the the turf that had been cut up by the ponies' hoofs. The British players brought out their best mounts for the first period. and the conflict was at once carried into lengers missed the surest sort of shots, and the crowd breathed easier, for they were not nearly so good as the Americans

eventually helped the Britons to nake the prettiest goal of the match. The ball hit the flank of a pony and dropped in the centre of the field before the posts. Captain Ritson was on it in a trice, hitting it for a lofter over the heads of the men and ponies in front of the A minute later Captain Cheape lrove a sensational goal from the centre of the field as straight as an arrow. The americans did not tally, as their playing as chiefly devoted to side field work. Desperate riding on the part of the

British, with some thrilling mix-ups in he melees, brought about an accident in sixth period. A blow from a mallet his right hand, and he had to retire,

Louis Stoddard taking his place. There but without any change in the score, as

not once did the ball cross the goal line Milburn reduced the American score b another penalty for foul crossing at the beginning of the seventh period. Louis Stoddard likewise had some fine chances but he did not hit as well as Monte Wat erbury. Whitney was struck on the wrist near the close of the period, and although time was called for a moment, he resumed play and finished out the game

The Americans devoted their attention The Britons went into the last period charging for the ball with a courage worthy of better results. Stoddard was almost unseated in a desperate ride of with Captain Cheape, and the two went along careening across the field before they separated. One of the Englishmen did get the better of Larry Waterbury a his own game and set him down on the turf, but, fortunately, uninjured. In retail from the end scored the last goal of the match for the cup defending side

At every stage the team work, the ciling relay and the riding of the Americansuperior to the British challengers, whe

# American Ponies Show Great Burst of Speed

Outrun Great Britain Mounts in Side by Side Rides.

# VISITORS QUICK ON TURNS

### Challengers Show Agility in Following Ball, but Seem to Tire Near End.

wists after the ball, the pontes of Great side-by-side rides. They seemed to be foot weary in the last two periods, and to boots they had worn in the practice games, the ponies of the United States not arrive until 4:15 o'clock. The British thirty in Great Britain's line, those to be played having numbered saddle cloths and the players did not use the numbered up games. The English stable lads wore red sweaters. The American lads wore gaiters and light blue shirts. The trainers did not lead the lines. Both polo manager, was often the racecourse style, between the periods The British ponies were merely scraped and rubbed down before being walked I. Waterbury rode Chestnuts in the

irst, Miss Hobbs in the second, Little Mary, which carried him very well, in the thirdr Laredo in the fourth, Peggy n the fifth and seventh, and F.

J. M. Waterbury, jr., rode Gold Leaf in

# What the Players Thought of Match

H. P. WHITNEY, United States

A bully good game, full of speed as fine hitting. All the ponies were hand, and fast. We hope to have Monte Water. bury on the line again on Saturday, although Stoddard did very effective wo

Captain R. G. RITSON, Great Britain: "A very fast game and no rough work The fouls made were unintentional. thought the British ponies a trifle quicker DEVEREUX MILBURN, United States

"Our team carried the game to the British team, except in the fifth period ever played in, and ponies seemed a Captain D. E. MILLER, Great Britain

has been no thought over any change it the formation of the team."

Malcolm Stevenson's thoroughbred, in th Stoddard ended the period on the Texas pony, Jacobs. He played Lizette in th seventh and Object in the eighth

n the second, Carry the News, a speed English mare, in the third; Blue Ribbon a handsome dark gray, in the fourth and seventh, and Acrobat in the fifth perio Laredo was his mount for the sixth an eighth periods.

ous international games, was Milburn first pony; then, in succeeding periods, ap peared Evc. Mohawk, Laredo, Helen C.

from Hawati, and Larede Farmer and Pretty Boy

best with Star, Twenty-seven, Royal Dia mond and Hidden Star, Lockett's favor ites were Stewart, an Australian pon;

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